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A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on Wednesday, December 10, 2014, at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, 4th Floor Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by President Stewart Berkowitz, M.D.

PRESENT

Board Members Angrist, Stewart Berkowitz, Cheema, Criss, DeLuca, Lopez, Maffei, Metzger, Miksad, Miller, Parikh, Rao, Rock, Scott and Shah.

EXCUSED

Board Members Steven Berkowitz, DeGregorio, Kubiel, and McGrath.

ALSO PRESENT

Senior Deputy Attorneys General Dick, Flanzman, and Gelber; Deputy Attorneys Hafner, Levine, and Puteska; William V. Roeder, Executive Director of the Medical Board, Sindy Paul, M.D., Medical Director; Dr. Harry Lessig, Consultant Medical Director.

**STATEMENT CONCERNING THE
ANNUAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Act” were satisfied by notice of this meeting given in the annual notice

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adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners on August 14, 2013 which was transmitted to the ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, STAR LEDGER, CAMDEN COURIER POST, ASBURY PARK PRESS, BERGEN RECORD and the TRENTON TIMES, all on the 24th day of September 2013.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTES

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 10, 2014 OPEN BOARD MINUTES.

The Motion, made by Ms. Lopez and seconded by Dr. Metzger, carried unanimously.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 28, 2014 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The Motion was made by Ms. Criss and seconded by Dr. Angrist. It carried unanimously.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2014 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The Motion, which was made by Dr. Cheema and seconded by Ms. Lopez, carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

LEGISLATION

Assembly Bill 3834 seeks to require CME in courses on suicide prevention for pediatricians and physicians who routinely provide pediatric services.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED NOT TO SUPPORT THIS LEGISLATION. AS IN THE PAST, THE BOARD'S OPPOSITION IS BASED ON ITS OPPOSITION TO ANY LEGISLATION WHICH ATTEMPTS

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TO MICRO MANAGE A PHYSICIAN'S PRACTICE. EACH LICENSEE SHOULD TAKE THOSE COURSES WHICH ARE MOST GERMANE TO HIS/HER PRACTICE.

The Motion was made by Dr. Angrist and seconded by Dr. Shah. It carried unanimously.

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTH
PROFESSIONAL**

Attached was a request from the National Association for Health Professionals seeking to be accredited as a certifying body for medical assistants in New Jersey.

THE BOARD, AFTER REVIEWING THE SUBMISSION, AND UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED VOTED TO RECOGNIZE IT AS A CERTIFYING BODY FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANTS IN NEW JERSEY.

The Motion made by Dr. Angrist and seconded by Ms. Lopez carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATIONAL

PUBLIC COMMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Stewart Berkowitz, M.D.

Board President

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